

MINUTES**COSM****Commissioners****COSM Work and Legislative Session****Wednesday, May 16, 2018, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm****Edgar M. Bosley Jr. Municipal Admin Building****300 Mill Street; PO Box 206****St. Michaels, MD 21663****I. Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance**

President Boos called to order the combined working and legislative session of the Commissioners of St. Michaels in the meeting room of the Edgar M. Bosley, Jr. Municipal Building, 300 Mill Street, St. Michaels, Maryland at 6:00 p.m. Present were Commissioners Bill Boos, Joyce Harrod, Jaime Windon, Michael Bibb, and Roy Myers, Zoning Officer Sarah Abel, Police Officer Wade Allen, Secretary Kim Shellem, and three members of the public.

II. Agenda Amendments

President Boos said the Multiple Sclerosis fundraising event may be added to the consent agenda for tonight's meeting.

III. Announcements from COSM and Staff

Commissioner Myers reminded everyone that the Running Festival will take place on Saturday morning and that he and Commissioner Windon would be part of the kick-off ceremonies. There were no additional announcements.

IV. Comments from the Public

There were no public comments.

V. Consent Agenda

The following item will need to be voted to be added to the consent agenda: BikeMS ride, June 16-17 with approx. 600 riders through parts of St. Michaels including the nature trail, no road closures proposed.

President Boos called for a motion to add the Multiple Sclerosis cycling fundraiser on June 16-17th to the consent agenda. He noted the application was submitted late, and as a result, the Commissioners must vote to add it to the consent agenda. Commissioner Boos made the motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Myers, and which passed on a roll call vote of 5-0 in favor. The Commissioners had questions regarding the event and Commissioner Myers said the event would be the same weekend as the Museum's Boat Show so the Town would be quite busy. Ms. Abel said that Chief Smith was aware of the event and had

determined that no additional police presence was required. A representative of the cycling event said that it was not a race and the pace of participation would be leisurely, with people stopping to shop and eat. After a brief discussion, President Boos made a motion to approve the event and the consent agenda. Commissioner Bibb seconded it, and the motion passed on a roll call vote of 5-0 in favor.

VI. Ordinances eligible for Vote

- Ordinance No. 492: Speed Monitoring System

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MICHAELS TO AMEND CHAPTER 312 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF ST. MICHAEL BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE VI ENTITLED 'SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS' FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE USE OF SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS IN SCHOOL ZONES WITHIN THE TOWN; PROVIDING THAT THE TITLE OF THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE DEEMED A FAIR SUMMARY AND GENERALLY RELATING TO SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS IN THE TOWN OF ST. MICHAELS

President Boos said Ordinance No. 492 was eligible for a vote and called upon Sarah Abel, who read the title of Ordinance No. 492 into the record as noted above. President Boos then called for a motion to adopt the ordinance. Commissioner Bibb made the motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Myers. President Boos said he was in favor of going forward with the speed camera installation. Commissioner Myers said he hoped the signage alone would help to slow people down in the school zone. The motion to adopt passed on a roll call vote of 4-0 in favor, with Commissioner Windon voting no.

- Ordinance No. 493: FY18 Budget Amendments

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MICHAELS TO AMEND THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018, AS ADOPTED ON APRIL 26, 2017, EFFECTIVE MAY 16, 2017

President Boos announced that Ordinance No. 493 - a Budget amendment - had been previously discussed and was now eligible for a vote. Sarah Abel read the title of the ordinance into the record as noted above. Commissioner Boos made the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 493 and Commissioner Bibb seconded it. The Commissioners were in agreement to adopt the ordinance with no additional changes. Ordinance No. 493 was passed on a roll call vote of 5-0 in favor.

VII. Ordinances for Discussion

- Ordinance No. 489: Clarification of 'Dwelling Unit' and 'Immediate Family'

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF ST. MICHAELS, CHAPTER 340 ZONING, SUBSECTION 340-108 DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS OF "DWELLING UNIT (HOUSEKEEPING UNIT)" AND "FAMILY" TO FURTHER DEFINE A SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING UNIT; AND TO LIMIT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF UNRELATED PERSONS THAT MAY DWELL AS A FAMILY

President Boos said that Ordinance No. 489 had been previously introduced and discussed, and during those discussions, the Commissioners had questioned whether the changes contemplated were substantial or not. The Commissioners sought an opinion from the Town's attorney, who determined that the changes were not substantial enough to repeat the legislative process. Sarah Abel read the title of the ordinance into the record as noted above. President Boos then made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 489 - Clarification of "dwelling unit" and "family", and Commissioner Bibb seconded it. President Boos then called for discussion, and noted that this ordinance was putting a cap on the number of unrelated people who could reside in a home at 5 or less, unless otherwise defined or specified in the housing section of the Town's Code. Ms. Abel said new uses and other housing issues would be reviewed and possibly updated as part of the pending Code re-write. Commissioner Myers said the ordinance was a good first step toward revising and modernizing housing regulations in the town. As there was no further discussion, Ordinance No. 489 passed on a roll call vote of 5-0 in favor.

VIII. Items for Discussion

- Realtor open house signs and/or directional signage

President Boos called upon Sarah Abel, who said she had provided proposed changes based on the Commissioners' suggestions to Section 340-40 (real estate) that would allow two open house signs identifying the real estate company and limiting sign size and location. After some additional discussion, the Commissioners directed staff to put the proposed amendments into ordinance form.

IX. Commissioners Calendar

The Commissioners made additions and adjustments to agendas for their meetings in June 2018.

X. Comments from the Commissioners

Mike Estrella and Donna Hunt of E. Chew Avenue thanked Commissioner Myers for his years of service and said that he should be proud of his efforts to make the Town a better place.

Commissioner Harrod also had praise for Commissioner Myers' dedication. Commissioner Myers said he enjoyed his time as Commissioner and praised the Town staff for their support, dedication and teamwork.

XI. Announcement of Future Meetings

May 28 2018 - Office closed for Memorial Day

June 10-13 2018 - Maryland Municipal League Convention

June 20 2018 - 6:00 - Town Office - COSM Regular Work & Legislative Session

XII. Adjournment

Commissioner Boos presented Commissioner Myers with the meeting's gavel and thanked him for his service. Commissioner Myers then gaveled the meeting to a close at 7:42 p.m.